

The Alexandria Gazette

FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 26.

To secure the trade of the Valley of Virginia to Baltimore, has long been the aim and object of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company; and to accomplish it, year after year, has the Legislature been importuned to grant to that company a charter for an extension of the Winchester & Potomac Railroad to Strasburg, there to tap the Manassas road, and by a tariff of rates, that would be ruinous to a competing road, dependent almost entirely upon local travel and trade, and by holding out other seeming advantages, possessed by a great and wealthy corporation, to divert from its legitimate and natural channel, a trade, that is to foster and support a Virginia city. Failing, year after year, in this favorite scheme, the Balt. & Ohio Road, taking advantage of the condition in which the war has left the State and the Manassas Gap Railroad, are again pressing their suit, and at the same time are endeavoring to obtain possession of the Manassas road, by holding out inducements to the people in the upper counties, through which the road passes, and whereby an outlet to market is had, and by pecuniary offers, which it would seem difficult to resist, especially with the great desire of the people in the upper part of the Valley, for a railroad communication. Yet we hope and trust that the Legislature, although we see the Strasburg Connection has passed the Senate, will refuse to countenance any scheme, fraught with such evil consequences, to this city that so well deserves of the State. Not only will Alexandria be crippled by the carrying out of the scheme of the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Company, but Richmond must also feel the effects of having a large share of her Valley trade—a trade that has been and will again prove so lucrative, and that has helped so much to build up her commerce, thus turned off. We are aware that in these times, when selfishness too much rules the hour—when poverty has to struggle with riches—it is hard to stand up against the influences that may be brought to bear, but we repeat that when all have suffered together, and are now struggling for life and existence once more, nothing should be done to impede and hinder, but all that can should be done to encourage and assist. Let the Legislature do its duty to the State, and to a city that has identified all its interest with Virginia. Let not cities and capital out of the State reap the benefits of that for which we have expended our resources and struggled so long to acquire. Let the Manassas road be put in order again by our own people, so that the trade of the Valley may flow into a Virginia city, and enrich Virginia people.

LATER FROM EUROPE.

The steamship Hibernian, from Liverpool on the 11th instant, has arrived. Cotton opened at a decline of 1 penny to 1½, but partially recovered and closed firmer, though at a decline of ½d. @ 1d. on American; Breadstuffs firmer. Provisions steady. Consols, for money, 86½ @ 87. Five-twenties 64½ @ 65.

It is reported twenty-one armed Fenians recently arrived at Sligo, and were immediately arrested.

The Ship Worcester, from Baltimore, has reached Liverpool in a very crippled state. She encountered fearful weather in the channel.

Bullion in the Bank of England has decreased two hundred and eighteen thousand pounds.

The weather in England had moderated, but the effects of the recent gale continued to be exhibited in disasters to shipping.

The London Times and other journals having attributed the pressure in the money market to heavy exports to America on credit, letters are published from commercial men refuting such arguments, and showing that remittances have been most prompt and heavy. The cotton receipts are set off against British exports. The discount demand continued moderate, and the bank rate remained at eight per cent.

The military revolt in Spain under General Prim made no progress. The insurgents had gained the mountains of Toledo, but were closely pursued. It was supposed that General Prim would disband them, and attempt to escape to Portugal. The insurgent garrison of Avilla had reached the Portuguese territory and disbanded. Madrid is under martial law, but it remains quiet.

The Emperor of Austria had restored property and granted other concessions to parties who emigrated from Venetia.

The difficulty between Prince Napoleon and the Emperor has been amicably settled, and the former will shortly resume his Presidency of the Paris Exhibition Committee. Cholera has been raging with great violence among the workmen employed in cutting a tunnel through Mount Ceniz. The Express Carlotta, of Mexico, is to receive twenty millions of francs under the will of her late father, King Leopold, of Belgium.

THE VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE.

RICHMOND, January 25.—The Senate passed a bill to-day authorizing railroad connection between Winchester and Strasburg.

Several bills regulating the status of freedmen and conferring various rights and privileges on the colored people, were also passed.

In the House a lengthy report from a special committee was made against the payment of the claim for steamers seized by order of Governor Letcher, in April, 1861, chiefly on the ground that after the passage of the ordinance of secession all acts by his authority were void.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.—A large number of petitions were presented in the Senate yesterday. A bill was passed to increase the clerical force of the Postoffice Department. The bill to enlarge the powers of the Freedmen's Bureau was taken up, and after some discussion, passed by yeas 37, nays 10.

The House instructed the committee on the District of Columbia to report a bill excluding from the right of suffrage in that District all persons who have voluntarily borne arms against the United States government. A bill was introduced and referred, to amend the internal revenue law so as to levy an income tax of one per cent. only on all incomes from any mining stock. The House then proceeded to consider the proposition for a new basis of representation Congress, and the subject was discussed up to the hour of adjournment.

West Virginia has a proposition before the Senate military committee, which is under consideration, to have Harper's Ferry turned over to that State. The committee have come to no conclusion in regard to the matter, and, before anything is done, will ascertain the views of the War Department respecting it. The committee, as well as Congress, are opposed to ever resuscitating it for an armory, or for any national work, and will direct its sale to the highest bid.

Bishop Elliott, of Georgia, has written a letter to Bishop Johns, of Virginia, stating that "in pursuance of the fifth resolution, passed at the second council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the late Confederate States, which convened in Augusta, Georgia, Nov. 8th, he gives notice of the withdrawal from that ecclesiastical confederation, and of the re-union of the diocese of Georgia, with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U. S. of America."

A mass meeting of all the citizens of Tennessee who are opposed to radicalism, and who are favorable to the speedy restoration of the State to its proper position of equality and influence, has been called for the 22d of February next. The call is signed by the conservative members of the Legislature, and by the most prominent Union men in the State.

Constant complaints reach New Orleans from the interior parishes of Louisiana of the unwillingness of the negroes to make contracts. It is reported that parties having influence with the negroes induce the latter to disregard the order of the Freedmen's Bureau, with a view to compel planters to sell their plantations.

A dispatch from New Orleans, dated January 24, says that Gen. Crawford was arrested there on the night previous, on board the steamer Continental, bound to New York. He was arrested by the chief of Gen. Sheridan's scouts, and immediately taken to Fort Jackson.

It is reported from Washington that the negro troops at Atlanta, Georgia, have been paid off and discharged the service. The regular troops are to be substituted for the volunteer organizations now in service on the plains.

The Maryland Convention to inaugurate measures to repeal the Registration law, has adjourned, having completed the business for which they assembled. We heartily wish them success in their efforts.

The Fenian trials are still progressing at Dublin. Byrne, the ex-warden of Richmond prison, is under trial for aiding the escape of Stevens.

The Massachusetts Anti-slavery Society, is to be converted into a society for securing the education and political rights of the negro race in this country.

The amount raised by the merchants of Boston for the testimonial to the rescuers of the passengers of the wrecked ship Gratitude is about \$22,000.

An order has been issued at Galveston, Texas, mustering out of the service twenty-two regiments now in that State.

John Bell, of Tennessee, is in favor of allowing negro testimony in the courts of that State, under certain conditions and limitations.

The Columbian Insurance Company, of N. York, have resolved to continue business on a capital of \$20,000,000.

Pellicier and Gonzales, the assassins of Otero, in N. York, are to morrow to receive sentence of death.

The Tennessee House of Delegates has passed the negro testimony bill by a vote of 46 to 32. "Masked balls" are the rage in Philadelphia. The age is "fast."

NEW WOOD YARD.

MR. J. JOHNSTON having opened a WOOD YARD on HENRY STREET, between King and Cameron, is prepared to offer the best seasoned pine and oak wood, in lots from one-fourth of an acre to one hundred cords, at GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

Seasoned Pine Wood.....\$6 50
Seasoned Oak.....7 50
J. JOHNSTON.

[COMMUNICATED.]

It is full time that the citizens of Alexandria should be aroused to a sense of the situation in which they will be placed, if the projects and plans about the Railroads, in which they are interested, are carried out; to say nothing about other matters connected with municipal affairs here. To give up to others what they were mainly instrumental in effecting, and to suffer what is proposed, regardless of their interests, without some effort to prevent it, is not the part of wisdom. A general depression ensues from seeing the manner in which Alexandria is now treated, even by some of its own citizens.

OLD TIMES.

HALL'S VEGETABLE SCILIAN HAIR RENEWER.
Renews the hair.
HALL'S VEGETABLE SCILIAN HAIR RENEWER.
Restores gray hair to its original color.
HALL'S VEGETABLE SCILIAN HAIR RENEWER.
Prevents the hair from falling off.
HALL'S VEGETABLE SCILIAN HAIR RENEWER.
Makes the hair soft and glossy.
HALL'S VEGETABLE SCILIAN HAIR RENEWER.
Does not stain the skin.
HALL'S VEGETABLE SCILIAN HAIR RENEWER.
Has proved itself the best preparation for the hair ever presented to the public. Price \$1.00. For sale by all druggists. Jan 26—2m

\$100 REWARD will be paid for the detection and arrest of the thieves, (and the recovery of the stolen property,) who broke into the store of J. E. Douglass, lower end of King street, on last night, and carried off a number of articles, 4 chests tea, segars, &c.
J. E. DOUGLASS.
Jan 26—3c

EVERYBODY is talking about and reading the

HOME GAZETTE.
It contains the great story of the day, entitled, THOMAS CURDLE.
A tale of the Old Dominion.
It is founded on fact. The scenes described are laid in Alexandria, and many readers will recognize the actors portrayed. For sale at FRENCH'S Book and Stationery Store, Jan 26—2t 104, King street.

ALEXANDRIA WATER COMPANY.—Notice is hereby given that the water will be positively cut off in every case where water rent shall be in arrear on Monday, the fifty day of February next. By order: D. W. LEWIS, Superintendent. Jan 26—3t (Journal)

NOTICE.

The steamer THOS. E. CAHILL will leave Baltimore for this city on Saturday (to-morrow), the 27th, at 3 p. m.
JAN 26—1t WHEAT & BRO.

NEW FANCY & DRY GOODS STORE.
CHARLES W. GREEN,
No. 10, North Fairfax Street, in Mansion House Building.

Has just received a large assortment of FANCY and DRY GOODS for fall and Winter use; which will be sold at the lowest rates. See 1-ly

CHARLES WHITTESEY,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
AND CLAIM AGENT.
Attends to law business in this and adjoining counties, and District of Columbia; also, pays particular attention to Collection of Claims of all kinds against the United States, including Pensions, Back Pay, Bounties, Prize Monies, &c.—Address by letter, (stating claim,) or call at his office, over the market, Alexandria, Va.
Jan 30—12m

NEW HAMS.—Sugar Cured HAMS, new and uncovered, a nice article, received this day, and for sale by J. C. MILBURN, Opposite the Market. Jan 15—1t

LUMBER! LUMBER!
SLOAN & BRUNER
Have for sale
ALL KINDS OF LUMBER.
At the lowest market rates.

Hunter's Wharf, near the Tunnel.
R. J. SLOAN. B. F. BRUNER.
Jan 19—6m

THE FERTILIZER
FOR VIRGINIA LANDS.
BAUGH'S RAW BONE PHOSPHATE,
containing 52 per cent. of Phosphate of Lime, and 4.65 per cent. of Ammonia.

This article is offered with confidence to the Planters of Virginia, as being well adapted to their lands, and just what they need to produce large crops, and permanently improve the soil. GEO. DOUGDALE, Manufacturer's Agt. Baltimore, Md.

For sale at manufacturer's prices, adding cost of transportation, by KNOX & SMITH, Jan 22—3m No. 6, S. Union st. Alexandria.

ALEXANDRIA, LOUDOUN & HAMP-
SHIRE RAILROAD.

FOR CUSTIS'S MILLS, CONVALESCENT CAMP, FALLS CHURCH, VIENNA, HUNTER'S MILL, AND THORNTON'S.

Temporarily, a passenger car will leave the Depot of the Washington, Alexandria & Georgetown Railroad, on Maryland Avenue, Washington, daily, at 9.10 a. m., for the above stations; returns same day, reaching Maryland Avenue at 3.40 p. m.

Fare to Custis's Mills, and Convalescent Camp.....50 cts.
Fare to Fall's Church.....75 cts.
" " Vienna.....\$1.00.

" " Hunter's Mill and Thornton's 1.25.
Passengers for Alexandria desiring to connect can do so, either at the junction at Swann's, or leave Alexandria on the 8 o'clock train, and make the connection in Washington.

In a few days the trains will run regularly from their station at Alexandria, of which notice will be given. WASHINGTON BLYTHE, General Superintendent. Jan 20—1t

Insurance.

G. I. THOMAS,
NO. 72, PRINCE STREET,
(OPPOSITE THE GAZETTE OFFICE.)
FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE AGENCY,
Alexandria, Va.

Agent for the following first class BALTI-
MORE COMPANIES:

MARYLAND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
JOS. K. MILNOR, Secretary. THOS. E. HANDELTON, President.

THE MERCHANTS AND MECHANICS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
ISAAC WILLIAMS, Secretary. N. P. CAMPBELL, President.

THE HOWARD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
G. HARLAN WILLIAMS, Secretary. ANDREW REESE, President.

Policies of the above reliable companies, issued at this office, immediately on application, against loss or damage by fire, on all descriptions of property in the city or country, on terms as favorable as those of any other company, of equal strength and responsibility.

THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO., OF N. Y., Cash Assets, July 1, 1865.....\$13,500,000.
Annual income, in cash.....3,500,000.

The dividends of this company are larger in amount, for premiums paid, than in any Company in the world.

All the profits arising from this immense fund, are ANNUALLY DIVIDED amongst the assured.

Applications received at my office, No. 72, Prince st. G. I. THOMAS, Agent.

Dr. CHARLES W. CHANCELLOR, Medical Examiner. Jan 18—1t

FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE.

The undersigned has been appointed agent for the following companies, viz:

WASHINGTON FIRE INSURANCE CO., of Baltimore.

Capital.....\$500,000
Thos. Y. Canby, President. F. J. McGinnis, Secretary.

ASSOCIATED FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY, of Baltimore.

Wm. A. Hack, President. John Dukehart, Secretary.

MARYLAND LIFE INSURANCE CO., of Baltimore.

Geo. P. Thomas, President. Jno. W. Davis, Secretary.

Policy holders participate in the profits.

The above companies stand as high and are as popular as any others in the city of Baltimore.

Risks will be taken at the lowest rates charged by first-class companies.

SAMUEL H. JANNEY, at Janney & Co's Drug store, No. 145, King st; above St. Asaph. Jan 18—cott

FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE.

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Assets (Gold).....\$15,000,000
" in the United States.....1,500,000

FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE.

45, WILLIAM STREET, NEW YORK.

POLICIES ISSUED, PAYABLE IN GOLD, STERLING OR CURRENCY.

Shareholders personally responsible for all liabilities of the company.

All Directors Must Be Shareholders.

Directors in New York:

F. Cottenet, Henry Grinnell,
Jos. Gaillard, Alex. Hamilton, Jr.,
E. M. Archibald, E. F. Sanderson,
H. B. M. Consul.

Alfred Pell, Resident Secretary.

Risks taken in the above desirable company on all descriptions of property, at the lowest current rates, and policies issued, payable in Gold, Sterling, or currency, by

HOOE & WEDDERBURN, Agents, nov 2—1t Foot of Prince st. Alex., Va.

THE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.

OF LOUDOUN COUNTY, VA., resumed business on the first day of January, 1866, under the management of its former officers.

This company was in successful operation previous to the war, and noted for prompt payment and adjustment of its losses by fire. Those formerly insured in this Company can renew their insurance by application to the agent at Cameron Mills.

Owners of property (especially country property) can effect a safe and reliable insurance, at very reasonable rates, by application to

ROBT. F. ROBERTS, Agent. Jan 24—cott

THE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF ALEXANDRIA.

(CHARTERED IN 1814)

Continues to insure against loss or damage by fire. The company which has had the confidence of the community for more than half a century, again solicits the patronage of the public. Risks will be taken at the established rates, and losses promptly paid.

Office hours:—9 a. m. to 3 p. m.

C. W. WATTLER, Secretary.

Directors:

A. P. Geyer, Pres. C. W. Wattler,
Wm. Gregory, Benj. Barton.

J. H. Brent. Aug 10—1y

ROBERT JAMIESON. GEO. W. JAMIESON.

JAMIESON & BRO.

FIRE, LIFE & MARINE INSURANCE, Office, No. 10, south Royal st., ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Office hours from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. [Jan 10—1t]

DEABODY FIRE INSURANCE CO., OF BALTIMORE.

Persons desirous of effecting INSURANCE in this substantial and reliable company, can do so, on favorable terms, by applying to me, their agent, at my office in the Market Building, my 4—1t

R. JOHNSTON,

WAREHOUSE TO LET.—A two-story, brick, fire proof, slate roof, WAREHOUSE, in Sharpshin Alley, to let. Apply to

GEO. E. WHITE, Jan 4—4w 82 and 84, Cameron street.